

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A method of preventing and/or treating diabetes type 2 in a subject in need thereof, said method comprising step of administering pharmaceutically effective amount of an extract of plant *Pueraria tuberosa* or butanol fraction of the extract or Lupinoside A4 (LPA₄), optionally along with additive(s) to the subject.
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2. A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the subject is an animal.
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3. A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the subject is a human being.
4. A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the extract is obtained from root of the plant.
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5. A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the additive is selected from a group comprising nutrients such as proteins, carbohydrates, sugars, talc, magnesium stearate, cellulose, calcium carbonate, starch, gelatin paste, pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, excipients, diluent and, solvent.
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6. A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the fraction is administered at the concentration ranging between 1 to 40 mg /kg body weight.
7. A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the Lupinoside is administered at the concentration ranging between 1 to 40 mg /kg body weight.
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8. A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the administration route is selected from a group comprising orally, intravenously, intramuscularly, and subcutaneously.
9. A pharmaceutical composition useful in preventing and/or treating diabetes type 2, said composition comprising an extract of plant *Pueraria tuberosa* or butanol fraction of the extract or Lupinoside A4 (LPA₄), and additive(s).
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10. A pharmaceutical composition as claimed in claim 9, wherein the additive is selected from a group comprising nutrients such as proteins, carbohydrates,

sugars, talc, magnesium stearate, cellulose, calcium carbonate, starch, gelatin paste, pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, excipients, diluent and, solvent.

11. A pharmaceutical composition as claimed in claim 9, the extract is obtained from
5 root of the plant.
12. A pharmaceutical composition as claimed in claim 9, the fraction is of
concentration ranging between 1 to 40 mg /kg body weight.
- 10 13. A pharmaceutical composition as claimed in claim 9, the Lupinoside is of
concentration ranging between 1 to 40 mg /kg body weight.
14. A pharmaceutical composition as claimed in claim 9, wherein the composition is
in a form selected from a group comprising capsule, syrup, concentrate, powder,
15 and granules.
15. A pharmaceutical composition as claimed in claim 9, wherein the extract is an
aqueous extract.
- 20 16. A method of augmenting Glut4 phosphorylation and Glut4 translocation to a
target cell membrane to enhance insulin signal in a signal transduction pathway
in a subject in need thereof, said method comprising administering
pharmaceutically effective amount of an extract of plant Pueraria tuberosa or
butanol fraction of the extract or Lupinoside A4 (LPA₄), optionally along with
25 additive(s) to the subject.
17. A method as claimed in claim 16, wherein the subject is an animal.
18. A method as claimed in claim 16, wherein the subject is a human being.
- 30 19. A method as claimed in claim 16, wherein the extract is obtained from root of the
plant.

20. A method as claimed in claim 16, wherein the additive is selected from a group comprising nutrients such as proteins, carbohydrates, sugars, talc, magnesium stearate, cellulose, calcium carbonate, starch, gelatin paste, pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, excipients, diluent and, solvent.

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21. A method as claimed in claim 16, wherein the fraction is administered at the concentration ranging between 1 to 40 mg /kg body weight.

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22. A method as claimed in claim 16, wherein the Lupinoside is administered at the concentration ranging between 1 to 40 mg /kg body weight.

23. A method as claimed in claim 16, wherein the method helps prevent/treat type 2 diabetes.

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24. A method as claimed in claim 16, wherein the method shows increase in glucose uptake by the cells.

25. A method as claimed in claim 16, wherein the method is non-toxic to the cells.

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26. A method as claimed in claim 16, wherein the translocation is from cytosol to membrane of the insulin response cells.

27. A method as claimed in claim 16, wherein the Lupinoside A₄ (LP₄) prevents palmitate induced defects on insulin signaling.

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28. A method as claimed in claim 16, wherein the Lupinoside A₄ (LP₄) allows insulin to stimulate IR-beta and Akt phosphorylation.

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29. A simplified and inexpensive process of obtaining extract and thereafter selectively, its active n-butanol fraction and active molecule Lupinoside PA (LPA₄), useful in preventing and/or treating diabetes type 2, said process comprising steps of:

a. cutting the plant parts into small parts,

- b. extracting the cut parts with methanol and water,
 - c. partitioning the methanol and water extract between ethyl acetate and water,
 - d. extracting the aqueous layer further with n-butanol to obtain butanol fraction, and
 - e. subjecting the n-butanol fraction to chromatography with water and methanol as eluent to obtain Lupinoside PA₄ (LPA₄).

30. A method as claimed in claim 29, wherein the plant part is root.

15 31. A method as claimed in claim 29, wherein the solvent is selected from a group comprising methanol, and water.

32. A method as claimed in claim 29, wherein the water and methanol are in the ratio of about 1:1.

20 33. A method as claimed in claim 29, wherein the chromatography is column chromatography.

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